

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Geeta W. Gulati)	Docket No.:	6650.5-1
)		
Serial No.:	TBD)	Examiner:	TBD
)		
Filed:	Herewith)	Art Unit:	TBD
)		
For:	DEVICE FOR MEDICAL)		
	INSTRUMENT)		
)		

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant encloses the attached PTO-1449 form citing references to be considered and cited in the examination for above-identified patent application filed herewith. Since all of the references are U.S. patents, copies are not enclosed.

Applicant believes no fee is due. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account 13-4900.

Respectfully submitted,

Anand Gupta

Anand Gupta
Reg. No. 48,219

Date: December 2, 2003
MUNSCH HARDT KOPF & HARR, P.C.
4000 Fountain Place
1445 Ross Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75202-2790
Telephone: 214-855-7519
Facsimile: 214-855-7584

Certificate of Mailing

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail Label No. EV 349707296 US in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on the date shown below

Joan B. Farragher
Joan B. Farragher

12-2-03
Date

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1 of 1

Complete if Known

Application Number	TBD
Filing Date	December 2, 2003
First Named Inventor	Geeta W. Gulati
Art Unit	TBD
Examiner Name	TBD
Attorney Docket Number	6650.5-1

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
		US- 2002/0066219 A1	06/06/02	Weidman et al.	
		US- 6,202,784	03/20/01	Alatrisme	
		US- 5,663,533	09/02/97	Judge	
		US- 4,802,550	02/07/89	Poore	
		US- 4,497,124	02/05/85	Olive	
		US- 4,454,877	06/19/84	Miller et al.	
		US- 4,092,002	05/30/78	Grosse et al.	
		US- 3,885,742	05/27/75	Menzel	
		US- 2,819,824	01/14/58	Ebert	
		US- 1,282,511	10/22/18	Williams et al.	
		US- D453,193	01/29/02	Isaacs et al.	
		US- D407,453	03/30/99	Rashman	
		US- D379,935	06/17/97	Jornacion	
		US- D354,086	01/03/95	Rashman	
		US- D342,098	12/07/93	Wolff	
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ "Number" ⁴ Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				

Examiner
SignatureDate
Considered

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.